Orange County, IN Highlights

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time

	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	18,526	18,691	19,592	19,510	19,571
Change Since 1988		165	1,066	984	1,045
Pct. Change Since 1988		0.9%	5.8%	5.3%	5.6%
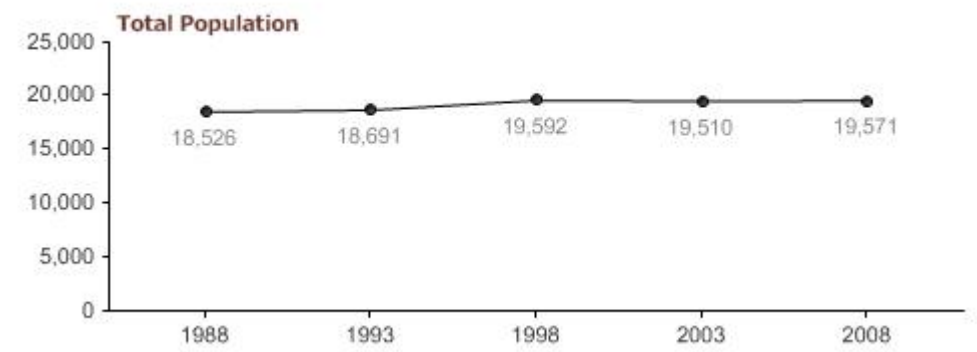
Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	-72
International Migration	9
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	40
Births	248
Deaths	208

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	1,224	6.3%
School Age	3,532	18.0%
College Age	1,422	7.3%
Young Adult	5,282	27.0%
Older Adult	5,168	26.4%
Older (65 plus)	2,979	15.2%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	64	0.3%
Asian Alone	49	0.3%
Black Alone	167	0.9%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	45	0.2%
White Alone	19,148	97.8%
Two or More Race Groups	134	0.7%

Population by Race

97.79 %	White
0.85 %	Black
0.33 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
0.25 %	Asian
0.23 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
0.68 %	Two or More
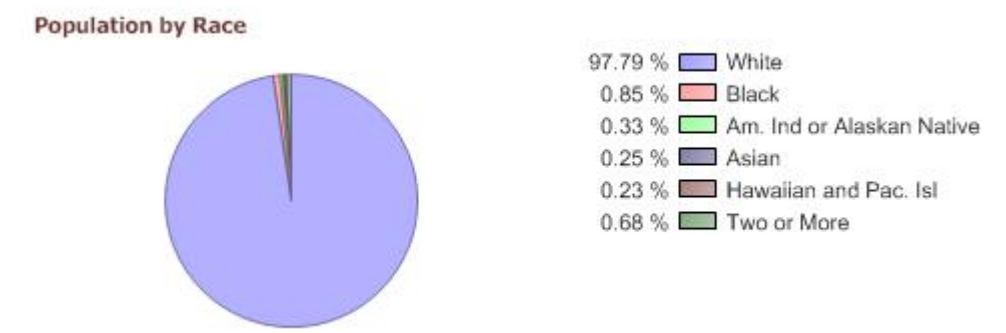
Hispanic or Latino

	Number	Pct. Dist
Non-Hispanic or Latino	19,405	99.1%
Hispanic or Latino	202	1.0%

Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	7,621	100.0%
Family Households	5,340	70.1%
Married with Children	1,901	24.9%
Married without Children	2,491	32.7%
Single Parents	571	7.5%
Other	377	4.9%
Non-family Households	2,281	29.9%
Living Alone	1,999	26.2%
Average Household Size	2.54	
Average Family Household Size	3.62	

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate
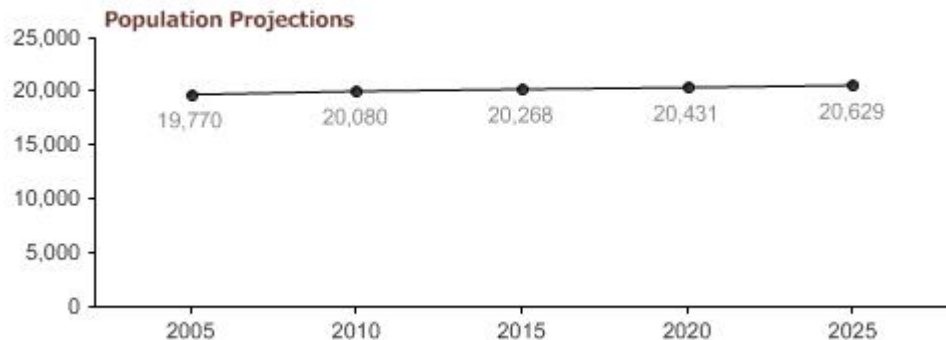
	Population	Numerical	Pct. Chg.

		Chg.	
1950	16,879	NA	NA
1960	16,877	-2	-0.0%
1970	16,968	91	0.5%
1980	18,677	1,709	10.1%
1990	18,409	-268	-1.4%
April 2000	19,306	897	4.9%
2008	19,571	265	1.4%
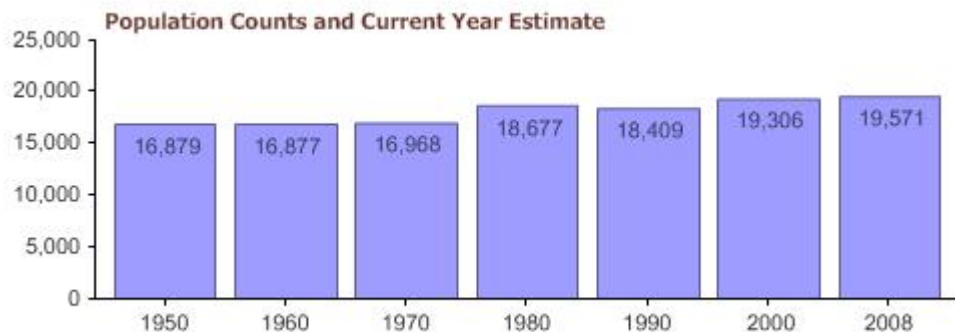
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Population Projections

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	19,770	20,080	20,268	20,431	20,629
Change Since 2005		310	498	661	859
Pct. Change Since 2005		1.6%	2.5%	3.3%	4.3%

Source: Indiana Business Research Center